

How to Connect to the Library of Michigan's **ANSWER** Online Catalog from your computer

You may reach us on world wide web at ***michigan.gov/hal***

ANSWER has a timeout feature that will automatically disconnect you after 5 minutes of inactivity.

Researchers should contact their local public library to obtain materials through interlibrary loan.

Because Internet resources change so frequently, it is difficult to create a current list of Uniform Resource Locators (URLs) for genealogy web sites. Items on this “webliography” have been selected because of the quality of the information and the stability of the sites. This aid will also allow researchers to focus on a short list of the sites, plan search strategies off line and save time when they begin to search the Internet.

Some research suggestions:

- Ask your local genealogy society or library for information about using the Internet for genealogical research. They may have developed useful guides for searching the Internet.
- Remember that almost anyone can create a homepage on the Internet with genealogical content. Be critical of genealogical information taken from an Internet source. Can you prove it by using other resources?
- “Surfing the net” may not be the best use of your limited research time. Don't forget about traditional paper, microfiche and microfilm formats.
- Bookmark useful sites so that you may easily find them again.
- Use URLs whenever possible. Keyword searching through an Internet browser often results in thousands of hits.